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WASTE, IN PATICULAR RADIOACTIVE WASTE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Response and Amendment with attachments "A" and "B".

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 24, 2003. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire July 24, 2003, making this a timely filed response to the present Office Action.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and objections and allow this application.